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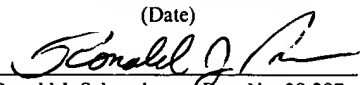
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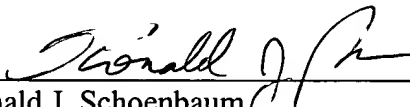
Dear Sir:

The above-identified patent application has been pending for over three years. Applicants would appreciate an indication of when the Office expects to complete its initial examination of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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